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*Construction of a flood bank for the Vamsadhara river.*

* 12 Q.—SRI C. VEERABHADRA RAO (on behalf of Sri P. Veerabhadraswami): Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received representations regarding construction of a flood bank for the Vamsadhara river at Nivagam village, Pathapatnam taluk, Vizagapatam district;

(b) whether the District Collector, Vizagapatam, has submitted a report on the action to be taken after his inspection two months back; and

(c) what action the Government have taken on this report?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Public Works) :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) The Collector has submitted a report to the Board of Revenue.

" (c) The remarks of the Board of Revenue on the Collector's report are awaited. The Board has been reminded to expedite its remarks."

*Paper Control.*

* 13 Q.—SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) why the control on paper is kept on; and

(b) how much retrenchment can be carried out by the decontrol of paper?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" (a) The question of abolishing control on paper is a matter for consideration by the Government of India who have imposed it. In May last, they stated that control on paper could not be relaxed due to the then existing acute shortage of paper. This Government have taken up the matter again with the Government of India.

" (b) The following staff which is employed for paper control work will become unnecessary if paper is decontrolled :—

One Deputy Paper Controller;

One Paper Assistant;

Eight Paper Control Inspectors;

One Senior Superintendent;

Four upper division clerks;

Fourteen lower division clerks;

Two typists;

One attender;

Ten peons."

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SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR :—" In view of the changed circumstances, will this Government request the Government of India to abolish paper control immediately, as its continuance leads to blackmarketing and corruption? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" As I have already said, we have already taken up the matter with the Government of India."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know whether a portion of the cost of the staff is borne by the Government of India? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" No, Sir."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" If this Government have to bear the entire cost of carrying out the control imposed by the Government of India and if they feel that paper control is no longer necessary, will not this Government press on the Government of India the removal of the control? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" It has been repeatedly done."

*Training in the use of arms to boys in high schools and colleges.*

* 14 *Q.*— SRI C. VEERABHADRA RAO (on behalf of Sri P. Veerabhadraswami) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to give training in the use of arms to boys in the high schools and colleges;

(*b*) whether they have formulated any scheme; and

(*c*) when they propose to introduce it?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—" (*a*) to (*c*) The Government have appointed a Committee with Lieut.-Col. Paul as Chairman and Mr. P. M. Joseph, Mr. Andrews, Mr. R. V. Rudrappaswami and Mr. Kuruvilla Jacob as members to go into the matter of giving military training to boys in schools. Two military officers were co-opted into the Committee by the members. The Committee also had the benefit of consultations with His Excellency Sir Archibald Nye and Major-General Srinagesh, General Officer Commanding, Southern Command. They submitted an interim report a month back. The final report has been submitted recently and the matter is under consideration."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" The answer relates only to schools. What about colleges? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—" Colleges are mainly left to the Universities."